

In claim 18, change "any of claims 1-17" to --claim 1--.

In claim 19, change "any of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--.

In claim 21, change "any of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--.

In claim 23, change "any of claims 1-22" to --claim 1--.

In claim 26, change "any of claims 23-25" to --claim 23--.

In claim 27, change "any of claims 23-26" to --claim 23--.

In claims 1, 2, 3, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 22 and 25 replace "among" with --group consisting of--.

In claim 4, delete ", preferable... 25%".

In claim 5, delete ", such as ... 2-6%".

In claim 8, delete ", such as ... 1 mm".

In claim 9, delete ", such as 1 mm".

In claim 10, delete "e.g. ... raspberry".

In claim 15, delete "[zinc compound],".

In claim 20, delete "such as ... aloe vera" and "such as ... tomato".

In claim 23, delete "in a manner known per se" (all occurrences).

In claim 26, delete ", preferably ... increments".

In claim 27, delete ", preferably ... increment(s)".

Please cancel claims 28-30.

If, inadvertently, a proper multiple dependent claim has not been amended to reduce it to single dependency, please amend it to be dependent solely on the first-mentioned claim,

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